

REMARKS

Applicants have canceled allowed claims 10-15, 17-24 and 26-27. Applicants note that the primary examiner may enter an amendment after the notice of allowance that involves canceling claims without forwarding to the supervisory patent examiner for approval. See, MPEP Sec. 714.16(a), pgs. 265-266 (8th Ed., Rev. 6, Sept. 2007)

Applicants will not specifically address or respond herein to the issues/points raised by the Examiner in the Examiner's provided remarks in any of the office actions. However, this should not necessarily be viewed as constituting acquiescence by Applicants as to the correctness of some or all of the Examiner's provided remarks in any of the office actions.

Moreover, Applicants note that the claims are directed to various combinations of features. It is respectfully submitted that the patentability of each of the allowed and allowable claims resides in every feature of the recited combination of features of the claims in addition to the features noted by the Examiner.

Applicants submit that no new claims or new matter has been added to the application. Nonetheless, should any additional fees be required, please charge Deposit Account No. 09-0466.

The attorney/agent of record invites the Examiner to contact him at (310) 557-2292 if the Examiner believes such contact would advance the prosecution of the case.

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